

## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT BRANCH

Washington, D.C. 20570

## Via email

August 30, 2023

Re: FOIA Request NLRB-2023-002024

Dear Sidney Lewis (Jones Walker):

This is in response to your request, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, received on August 29, 2023, in which you seek the following documents which have been filed during the past five years:

- 1) Charges alleging unfair labor practices which have been filed against the United Steelworkers, Local Union 8526;
- 2) If any charges identified in No. 1 above resulted in a Notice to employees or an Administrative Law Judge/NLRB determination, provide a copy of the Notice, citation to the Determination if published, and, if not published a copy of the citation and determination;
- 3) Petitions (RC, RM and RD) which have been filed by the United Steelworkers, Local Union 8526; and
- 4) Tallies of ballots involving the elections in Request No. 3 above.

You assumed financial responsibility for the processing of your request in the amount of \$37.00.

We acknowledged your request on August 29, 2023.

Searches of both the Agency's electronic casehandling system, NxGen, as well as the Agency's public website have been conducted using the entity name provided in your request. These searches located three pages of responsive requested records, which are attached. Your request is, therefore, granted in full. Please note that the searches did not locate any Charges alleging unfair labor practices which have been filed against the United Steelworkers, Local Union 8526 within the last five years.

For the purpose of assessing fees, we have placed you in Category A, commercial use requester. This category refers to requests "from or on behalf of

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a person who seeks information for a use or purpose that furthers the commercial, trade, or profit interests of the requester or the person on whose behalf the request is made, which can include furthering those interests through litigation." NLRB Rules and Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(1)(v). Consistent with this fee category, you "will be assessed charges to recover the full direct costs of searching for, reviewing for release, and duplicating the records sought." 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(2)(ii)(A). Charges are \$9.25 per quarter-hour of professional time. 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(2)(i).

One hour of professional time was expended in searching for and reviewing for release the requested material. Accordingly, please remit \$37.00.

Payment Instructions: We are no longer accepting checks or money orders as payment. To submit payment for your FOIA request, please use <a href="www.pay.gov">www.pay.gov</a>. From the <a href="www.pay.gov">www.pay.gov</a> home page, scroll down to the bottom left corner to select "Pay a FOIA Request." Click "See all options" and go to "Filter By Agency" to check the box for the National Labor Relations Board. Continue following instructions on the website. Please remember to include the Invoice Number, which is the NLRB FOIA Case No., and the amount you intend to pay. Further, please be advised that all FOIA payments must paid in full before any future FOIA requests are processed.

You may contact Joseph Mullaney, the Attorney-Advisor who processed your request, at (202) 273-3863 or by email at Joseph.Mullaney@nlrb.gov, as well as the Agency's FOIA Public Liaison, for any further assistance and/or to discuss any aspect of your request. The FOIA Public Liaison, in addition to the Attorney-Advisor, can further explain responsive and releasable agency records, suggest agency offices that may have responsive records, and/or discuss how to narrow the scope of a request in order to minimize fees and processing times. The contact information for the FOIA Public Liaison is:

Kristine M. Minami, FOIA Public Liaison National Labor Relations Board 1015 Half Street, S.E., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Washington, D.C. 20570 Email: FOIAPublicLiaison@nlrb.gov

Telephone: (202) 273-0902 Fax: (202) 273-FOIA (3642)

After first contacting the Agency, you may additionally contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA dispute resolution services it offers.

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The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS College Park, Maryland 20740-6001

Email: ogis@nara.gov Telephone: (202) 741-5770 Toll free: (877) 684-6448 Fax: (202) 741-5769

Sincerely,

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Attachment: (three pages)